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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PINT PGOV PINS ET
SUBJ: DEATH OF PMAC STANDING COMMITTEE MEMBER

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1. RELIABLE SOURCES REPORT PETTY OFFICER MIKAEL ASGEDOM, ALLEGEDLY VICE-CHAIRMAN FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS WITHIN NWE PROVISIONAL MILITARY ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL (PMAC) STANDING COMMITTEE OF 17, KILLED JANUARY 1 IN ASMARA. ON SOURCE ALLEGES MIKAEL, WHO ONLY ERITREAN ON STANDING COMMITTEE, WAS SHOT BY EPMG TROOPS AFTER REFUSING THEIR EXCORT, WHILE TOURING ASMARA AREA. SOURCE BELIEVES MIKAEL DEATH WAS WORK OF LT. COL .3.-GISTU AND THAT PMAC STANDING COMMITTEE HAVING DIFFICULTY PREPARIGN EXPLANATION FOR FULL PMAC MEMBERSHIP.

2. EMBASSY UNABLE TO VERIFY CAUSES BEHIND MIKAEL DEATH BUT BELIEVES HE IS PROBABLY DEAD, CONSEQUENCES FOR NEW PMAC STRUCTURE IF SOURCE'S ALLEGATIONS AGAINST MENGISTU TRUE, COULD OF COURSE UPSET ENTIRE PMAC REORGANIZATION AND THREATEN PMAC STABILITY. FOR THIS VERY REASON, HOWEVER, IT SEEMS VERY UNLIKELY THAT MENGISTU WOULD HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH
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REPORTED DEATH AND WE WILL THEREFORE REMAIN
SKEPTICAL PENDING FURTHER EVIDENCE.
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